

Potential New Bank of Italy - Follow Up

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The article in June 1995's issue of *TPB* implies a Bank of Italy pattern variety exists. The article brings the opportunity to restate one of the basic ways to establish that an item is not a new pattern.

The method is simple. First, I borrow a piece of tracing paper from my son. (It's a lot easier if you've a copy of pattern B182 and the potential new pattern.) Then, I carefully mark the five holes that do not appear in B182. These are the three that make up the triangle plus two more above and next to the "B." Then, move the tracing paper down and to the right. You'll see that the "triangle" covers the first two holes from the right at top of the "F" and the crossbar hole below them. Perfect match! Even the extra holes next to the "B" fell on the crossbar hole of the "B" and on the third hole up from the bottom.

In this case, we have an easy verdict. Someone probably tried to punch too many sheets at the